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New Novotel in Vaughan is City's First Full-Service Hotel



Novotel, the ideal hotel for work and play, announces the opening of the new Novotel Toronto Vaughan Centre. As Vaughan's first full-service hotel, the 149-room Novotel will provide welcomed accommodations to the city's business and leisure travelers.

"We are pleased to bring Novotel's quality services, accommodations and contemporary design to Vaughan," said Eric Buitenhuis, vice president of operations for Novotel Canada. "Novotel will provide the most convenient lodging

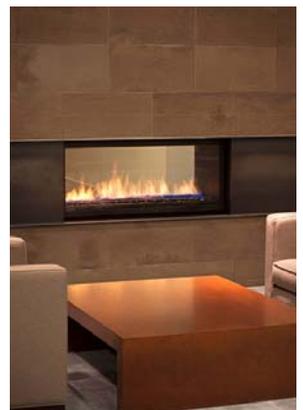
option for both business and leisure guests of Vaughan Mills Shopping Centre and Canada's Wonderland amusement park."

With Meeting@Novotel, Novotel is committed to responding to all of the business needs by providing a customised service for both small and medium-sized meetings. Novotel Toronto Vaughan Centre offers guests five meeting rooms, a business centre with complimentary Internet access and a saltwater pool and hot tub.

In addition to providing easy access to two of the area's biggest tourist destinations, Novotel Toronto Vaughan Centre is located 35 minutes from downtown Toronto and 20 minutes from Lester B. Pearson International Airport.

From breakfast to lunch, dinner or a tasty little snack, Novotel always provides balanced choices and à la carte service 24/7 at all its hotels. **Restaurant Trio at Novotel** Toronto Vaughan Center features executive chef Brad Scully serving international cuisine paired with a unique selection of quality Canadian wines. The restaurant's refreshing new concept involves a blend of flavors artfully combined to delight the palate, presented in Trio designed for sharing.

The hotel's nature-inspired design is based **on the four elements of air, fire, earth and water**. Visitors will notice the extensive use of slate and stone, which were crafted to create the hotel's façade, entrance area and outdoor patio. Additional distinctive design elements include the two-sided fireplace in the lobby, a cascading water feature in the patio and large floor-to-ceiling windows allowing a flood of natural light into meeting spaces. The natural materials, along with the hotel's unique open concept, create a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere that is perfectly suited for the business and leisure traveler.



As the mid-scale hotel brand within the Accor group portfolio, **Novotel** offers close to 400 hotels and resorts in 60 countries, situated in the centre of major international cities from business districts to tourist destinations. Novotel's consistently high standard of service contributes to the wellbeing of both business and leisure travellers: think spacious, modular-design guestrooms, balanced cuisine available 24/7, excellent meeting facilities, attentive staff, dedicated children's areas and rejuvenating wellness facilities. The Novotel group is a pioneer in sustainable development and all Novotel hotels participate in the Green Globe worldwide environmental certification program.

In Canada, Novotel operates 7 hotels – Novotel Toronto Mississauga, Novotel Toronto North York, Novotel Toronto Centre, Novotel Ottawa, Novotel Montreal, Novotel Montréal Aéroport and Novotel Toronto Vaughan Center.

More information at Novotel.com.

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